$3.35 Million in Energy Efficiency Grants to Benefit Indiana Communities

46 Grants given to 37 Communities for Energy Efficiency Retrofits to Public Facilities

For Immediate Release

Media Contact: Eric Burch
317-232-8944
eburch@oed.IN.gov

(Indianapolis)--- Lt. Governor Becky Skillman announced 46 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) have been awarded to 37 Indiana cities, towns and counties for energy efficiency upgrades to public facilities. A total of $3.35 million was awarded for upgrades including LED traffic light conversion, building lighting upgrades and non-lighting building retrofits. The communities were selected for the grants through a competitive bid process.

"These communities have stepped up and are leading by example by making sure public buildings and facilities are not wasting taxpayer dollars through inefficiency," said Lt. Governor Becky Skillman. "Grants such as these help Hoosier counties, cities and towns to be good stewards of public facilities by reducing energy consumption."

The EECBG program is funded through the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE) and administered in Indiana by the Indiana Office of Energy Development (OED). Cities and towns less than 35,000 in population, and counties with populations of 200,000 or less were eligible to apply for these grants.

Applicants could submit one application in each of the three areas. Round 2 of this program opened March 8th, 2010 with 5 areas of interest.   Lt. Governor Skillman will preside over an award ceremony for Round 1 grantees to be held at 2:00pm on March 26, 2010 in the North Atrium of the Indiana State House.

The grantees for Round 1 are:

Area 1: Traffic Signal Retrofits

Recipient	Grant Amount
Greencastle, City of	$42,687
Linton, City of	$36,059
Michigan City, City of	$113,059
Peru, City of	$24,009
Tell City, City of	$9,421

Area 2: Lighting Retrofits for Government-Owned Structures

Recipient	Grant Amount
Angola, Town of	$84,244
Arcadia, Town of	$100,000
Blackford County	$45,596
Clay County	$71,500
Clinton, City of	$43,750
Hartford City	$96,000
Henry County	$92,000
Jasper County	$81,775
Knox, City of	$21,650
LaPorte, City of	$34,015
Loogootee, City of	$35,752
Monon, Town of	$22,135
Monticello, Town of	$53,940
New Castle, City of	$100,000
North Judson, City of	$41,895
Shelburn, Town of	$27,000
Spencer County	$36,000
Starke County	$57,500
Sullivan County	$22,194
Tell City, City of	$63,432
Upland, Town of	$39,000
Walton, Town of	$16,090
Washington, City of	$100,000
White County	$13,305
Whitley County	$46,763
Winamac, Town of	$64,000
Wolcott, Town of	$5,400

Area 3: Structure Retrofits for Government-Owned Structures (excludes lighting)

Recipient	Grant Amount
Arcadia, Town of	$250,000
Delaware County	$250,000
Farmersburg, City of	$91,486
Knox, City of	$71,750
Lowell, Town of	$249,412
Monon, Town of	$38,460
New Castle, City of	$97,500
Shelburn, Town of	$74,410
Sullivan, City of	$99,875
Sullivan County	$199,000
Upland, Town of	$24,982
Walton, Town of	$156,025
White County	$62,280
Winamac, Town of	$63,670
Wolcott, Town of	$21,050

The purpose of the Indiana EECBG Program is to assist eligible entities in creating and implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions in a manner that is environmentally sustainable, reduce the total energy use of the eligible entities, increase energy efficiency, reduce energy consumption and reduce energy costs through efficiency improvements and create new jobs and increased productivity to spur economic growth and community development.

###